

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the title as follows:

Method For Making A Self-Locking Knot In A Stator Lacing Machine

Please replace the first paragraph on page 8 with the following amended paragraph:

The needle 12 is mounted on a needle support, not shown in Figure 1, that allows it to effect various movements, a radial forward/backward movement, pointed out in Figure 1 by the arrow A, an axial top/bottom movement, pointed out by the arrow B, and rotation movements around its axis clockwise or counterclockwise, see arrow C. The thread-guide tube 10 is mounted on a tube support which moves vertically and which can oscillate sideways to the right and to the left in order to follow the needle movements during the lacing operation. The aforesaid movements, reciprocally synchronized, could be obtained for instance by means of mechanical cam wheel oscillators and/or linkworks operated by a brushless electric motor driven by a dedicated control board.

Please replace the fourth paragraph on page 9 with the following amended paragraph:

The coming out of the cord 8 from the thread-guide tube 10 is controlled moreover by a cord friction and recovery system, not illustrated in all Figures, that allows, when necessary, to restrain its exit or to withdraw the cord into the thread- guide tube 10.